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Serial No. 10/679,696

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Title: MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIUM AND MAGNETIC RECORDING DEVICE
USING THE SAME

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RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER

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Total effective claims after amendment 0 minus highest number
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Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add \$130.00 (1814)/ \$65.00 (2814) \$

Applicant claims "small entity" status. Statement filed herewith

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Other: \$ \$ 0.00

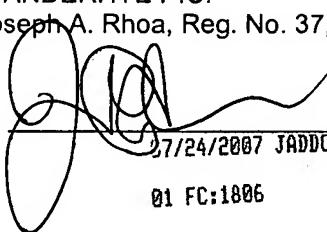
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

- 1. **PTO-1449 Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(b)**
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- 2. **Statement Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(c)**
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- 3. **Fee Payment Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(c)**
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- 4. **Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(d)**
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The following are submitted in the above-identified application in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98:

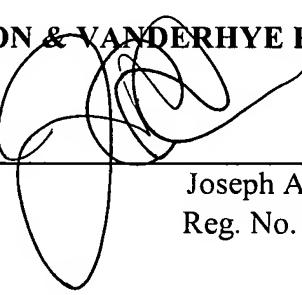
- 5. A list of documents on Form PTO-1449 together with copies of each identified document and a translation or a concise explanation of each non-English language document (or foreign search report) is enclosed herewith.
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- 6. 37 CFR 1.97(b): [within 3 months of filing or prior to 1st Office Action]
- 7. 37 CFR 1.97(c): [before Final Office Action and Allowance, whichever is earlier]; and
 - a) The required Statement made in item 9 below; or
 - b) The \$180.00 fee specified in 37 CFR §1.17(p) for submission of this Information Disclosure Statement is submitted herewith.
- 8. 37 CFR §1.97(d): [before issue fee payment]; and
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 - b) The required Statement is stated in item 9 below.
- 9. Statement under 37 CFR 1.97(e)
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- 10. Please charge all deficiency fees associated with the submission of this Information Disclosure Statement and any other fees applicable to this application to Deposit Account No. 14-1140. An original and one (1) copy of this document are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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| DOCUMENT | | DATE | COUNTRY | CLASS | SUBCLASS | YES | NO |
| | 08-263836 | 10/1996 | JP | | | X | |
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OTHER DOCUMENTS (including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent pages, etc.)

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